

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

In re Patent Application of

MAERTENS et al.

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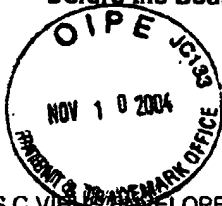
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☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.**☐ **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Applicant hereby **appeals** to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the Examiner twice/finally rejecting (\$340.00) applicant's claim(s).

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☒ An appeal **BRIEF** is attached in the pending appeal of the above-identified application (\$ 340.00)

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☐ A reply brief is attached in triplicate under Rule 41.41

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